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In response to the Communication mailed October 6, 2003, Applicants elect Group I (claims 1-5, 7-13, 15, and 16). Further, Applicants elect interfering RNA specific for SHIP mRNA.

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